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The circulation of the Communist press in Finland is gradually dropping off. Four years ago the leading Communist newspapers, Vapaa Sana and Työväen Sanomat, had a circulation of 44,000 and 70,000 respectively. Now their circulation has dropped to 18,000 and 20,000 respectively. The position of the Social Democratic press is not so bright either, but it never has been in Finland. The circulation of Suomen Sosialidemokraatti, the main Finnish Social Democratic organ, is in the neighborhood of 45,000. In retrospect, however, the Communist press has suffered the heaviest losses.

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